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PUBLIC AUCTION

OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

GRAND PIANO, ETC.

THE Undersigned has received instructions

to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON SATURDAY, THE 10th SEPTEMBER, 1892,

Commencing at 2 P.M.,

at his Saleroom, 1, D'AGUILAR STREET,

(for account of which it may concur),

a quantity of

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising—

DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, OCCA-

SIONAL CHAIRS, CENTRE AND SIDE

TABLES, PICTURES, O'NAMENTS,

CARPETS, BUGS, CURTAINPOLES, AND

CURTAINS.

DINING TABLE AND CHAIRS, SIDE-

BOARDS, WHATNOTS, DINER, AND

DESERV'S SERVICES, GLASS AND PLAT-

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HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE LONG RANGE CUP will be shot

on SATURDAY next, the 10th inst.

Ranges, 700 and 800 yards.

ED. ROBINSON,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1892. [1855]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICES, VICTORIA, HONGKONG, ON FRIDAY, THE 16th SEPTEMBER, AT 4 O'CLOCK P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors for the year ended 30th April, 1892, and of determining dividends.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY

will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 16th SEPTEMBER, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. H. RAY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th August, 1892. [1800]

FOR SHANGHAI.

"NINGPO."

Captain Köhler, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 5th inst., at 4 P.M., instead

of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

HIMMSEN & CO.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILOONG,"

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above ports, TO-MOREW, the 8th inst., at NOON.

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DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1892. [1868]

AMUSEMENT.

THEATRE ROYAL CITY HALL.

RETURN OF THE STANLEY OPERA COMPANY

TWO NIGHTS ONLY,

SEPTEMBER 6th and 7th.

Which will be positively the last visit of this popular Company to Hongkong.

Come and bid "Good-bye" to your old favorites.

PRICES AS USUAL.

Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH.

Hongkong, 3rd September, 1892. [1834]

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CROSSES,  
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Prices moderate. Work Promptly Done.  
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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED

## AERATED WATER.

GINGERADE  
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LEMONADE  
LEMON SQUASH  
LICHIA WATER  
PHOSPHORIC CHAMPAGNE  
POTASH WATER  
RASPBERRYADE  
SARSAPARILLA  
SELTZER WATER  
SODA WATER  
TONIC WATER.

In the manufacture of these Waters the purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness exercised throughout. The Water used is subjected to a perfect system of filtration, daily examinations, and periodically to searching chemical analysis; so that absolute purity and safety are guaranteed.

## FOR COAST PORTS

Wares are packed and placed on Board at Hongkong Prices and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when received in good order.

## SUMMER BEVERAGES.

FRUIT CORDIALS—Raspberry, Strawberry, Lime, Damson, Black Currant, Red Currant, Pine Apple, Oranges Plum, Morello Cherry and Gooseberry.

FRUIT SYRUPS—Lemon, Lime Juice, Raspberry, Strawberry, &c.

Prepared from Genuine Fruit Juices imported by ourselves, they contain the full flavor of the sound ripe fruit, mixed with plain or Aromatic Water, they make delightful Summer Drinks.

AGENTS FOR  
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AND CORDIAL.

## WINES AND SPIRITS.

PORTS,  
SHERRIES,  
CLARETS,  
BRANDIES,  
GIN,  
LIQUEURS.

A large selection of choice Old Brandy.

Fall partakers and prices on application.

## Tobacco.

CIGARS AND CIGARETTES.

A complete stock of all the best and most popular Brands.

## VIN DE QUINQUINA.

A Medicinal Wine agreeable to the taste containing the valuable properties of Ginchous Bark combined with a choice Brand of Red Wine.

Its powerful anti-febrile qualities tend to ward off attacks of material fever, and to all convalescents—acts as a quick restorative and appetizer—acts as a quick restorative and appetizer.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.,  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.  
Hongkong, 22nd July, 1892.

The formation of the two Volunteer Corps until on the 3rd February, 1892, a circular was addressed by the Colonial Secretary to the members of the Committee then present in Hongkong, when Mr. G. F. HOLLOWAY became, on the nomination of the Governor, Chairman in place of his brother. The reconstituted Committee held several meetings and reconsidered the whole question with the result detailed in the general scheme published in another column. Some modifications of that scheme are, we understand, desired by the Government, but no approval is given and steps taken to launch it.

In what direction it is wished to modify the scheme we have not been informed. Meantime it may be useful to subject it to some friendly criticism. There can be little doubt that the first general conclusion come to by the Committee is a sound one: the Volunteers can never be a body acquire the knowledge of the large and more complicated guns in the forts and batteries necessary to render them efficient to serve in those defences. But they may be no reconstituted us to become a valuable adjunct to the regular Garrison for purposes of land defence. Is there, however, any real necessity for disbanding the present Artillery Corps before proceeding with the new scheme? Would it not be more advantageous to retain it as the nucleus of one of the batteries? It is proposed to raise two; why not bring the strength of the present Corps up to 100, and make the second battery the Maxim Gun Corps? The present Corps contains a number of active, smart, and勇敢 men, who have struggled on bravely under difficulties and discouragement, and their services in the past deserve hearty recognition. With regard to the suggested Mounted Troop, we agree in doubting whether it would be of much practical utility, but it is also open to question whether the score of men ready to enlist in such a corps would care to join a foot patrol. If they did not great good they would do no harm. There would probably be some difficulty in raising two hundred men but in keeping the batteries up to strength, and some of the means suggested to that end seem very good and reasonable. The recommendation that the Corps should each year be called out for a period of training is specially a wise one, and works well in Shanghai, where it has been adopted. We are not so sure, however, about the proposal to enlist a force of 144 Chinese coolies to fetch and carry for the Volunteers. The raising of a corps of Chinese submarine miners as a subsidiary corps to the Royal Engineers we have always regarded as somewhat dubious experiment. The men are no doubt willing, capable, and give little trouble to their officers; but what security is there that, when they have been taught their duties, and made thoroughly efficient, they will not be tempted away by the Kwangtung Government to serve in the forts on the Canton river? In the event of a serious difficulty with China—a contingency which the lapse of every year renders more probable—they would be compelled to desert the corps, just at a time, too, when their services would be most needed. The folly of being dependent upon Chinese for any branch of the system of defence should have patent to the nearest understanding. Malays would have been equally if not better adapted for the purpose, and might have readily enlisted in the Straits Settlements. These objections do not apply with equal force to the idea of a coolie corps to wait upon the Volunteers, but there are other objections to the proposal. Feather-bed warriors are not wanted even as Volunteers, though it is true that they can hardly be expected in this climate to haul the gun. The question is whether, after all, the employment of coolies or ponies would not be more prudent, especially as it is not desirable to train up Chinese as gunners, seeing they might one day be employed against us. There is also the question of expense. The maintenance of 144 Chinese coolies is a rather large order. The estimated cost given at \$1,530, and this is certainly the minimum.

Most of the remaining recommendations seem to be feasible and unobjectionable, if we except that referring to the establishment of a regular Saturday half-holiday. To a very large extent this is already observed. But in this practical commercial port, where steamer are perpetually arriving and leaving, everything has to give way to the exigencies of business, and it would be better to leave matters as they are, than to agitate for what in some cases could only be conceded with difficulty and create friction where none exists at present. If the suggested Volunteer Batteries are once raised the non-existence of a fixed and general Saturday half-holiday will not, we think, prove an obstacle to the success of the Corps as employers will generally be found quite willing to arrange for the absence of such of their employees as may be in the ranks of our defenders. The wisdom of the recommendation that the Artillery and Drill School should be in a central situation is so obvious as to need no comment. The idea of a captivation grant in a good one, as it would form some slight incentive to members of the Corps to render themselves efficient, but the grants should be as light as they can be made consistent with real efficiency. The number of officers suggested is no doubt rather large for a small force, but the reasons governing the recommendation are sufficiently evident. In time of war there would undoubtedly be a great accession to the ranks and in that case the officers would exist without the need to be trained, and there would be less difficulty in assigning the necessary material. The length of the period of service may be a matter of opinion, and probably three years is as good a term as any. It is understood, of course, that any physical reason would, on medical certificate, procure exemption from further service, and the notice of resignation required would not, we presume, be arbitrary as to length, insomuch as young men are often despatched by the Banks or hongs to other ports at very short notices on emergencies. In providing for the regulation and control of a Volunteer Corps in this Colony due consideration must be given to the local conditions, which are somewhat exceptional and will not admit of the kind of strict

rules which in military life are necessary and reasonable in England. Too many conditions and restrictions would be certain to kill the movement in its infancy.

The P. & O. steamer *Malacca*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 2nd inst. at 5 p.m. for this port.

The Messengers Maritimes steamer *Yerba* left Shanghai at 1 p.m. on the 3rd inst. for this port.

The Messengers Maritimes steamer *Sydney*, with the outward "Frank mail," left Singapore on the 3rd inst. at 5 p.m.

The agency of the Scottish Oriental Steamship Company, Limited, left recently by the death of Mr. G. T. Hopkins, has been given to Messrs. Dowdell, Carrill & Co. The appointment is now entirely in another's hands.

The defendant's answer in the action for libel instituted by Mr. Page against the *Danish* was filed on the 25th ult. by Mr. Tillock. The case will be (says the journal mentioned) set down for hearing about the 6th inst.

The Manila papers have reviewed the question some deal with of growing the poppy in the Philippines, and call upon scientific men to come forward and make a statement of the Dicumarin Home and Orphanage and of St. John's Cathedral respectively.

It would appear from the *Gazette* that no formal steps exist in the Philippines to prohibit the sale of opium, and the *Philippine Standard* has given the Royal Artillery, invalids for the purpose of the formation of a Volunteer Corps to be organized in a mountainous country like this. Foot patrols, with an efficient field telephone and system of signalling carefully organized, would be more effective.

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